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Dear Mr. Hansen,

On the telephone yesterday you requested that I prepare a revised application incorporating the changes I proposed in my reply to office action dated December 16, 2003.

As you are aware, my application is a conversion from a request for continuation. I believe the application currently in your file was submitted with the continuation. As such it includes additions (underlined) and deletions (square brackets) relative to the original application ultimately resulting in patent 6,120,411. Some of these changes were incorporated into patent 6,120,411 while others were to be added as a result of the continuation application. After I add to and delete from the application that was submitted with the continuation a coding becomes required to distinguish new and old additions and deletions. A copy of the revised application that shows new additions in blue is enclosed.

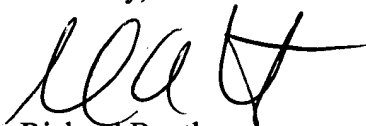
The copy showing both "old" and "new" additions and deletions is difficult to read. Therefore I am also enclosing a second copy of the revised application in which all the "old" changes have been executed without showing deletions nor underlining additions. The "new" additions are underlined and the "new" deletions are struck out. It seems to me that changes relative to the application resulting in patent 6,120,411 became irrelevant after the conversion from a continuation. Both copies will result in the same final draft regardless of color.

The changes in the revised application are the same as proposed in my reply sections "Regarding 2", "Regarding 4 & 5", "Regarding 6" and "Regarding 7".

My reply section "Regarding 1" stated an earlier priority date would be desirable if possible; "Regarding 3" stated that the list of all patents, publications and other information submitted for consideration by the office was supplied with the Continued Prosecution Application Request Transmittal mailed on August 23, 2000.

My reply section "Regarding 8" describes the reasons I believe Mr. Tabor neither claimed nor anticipated my invention.

Sincerely,



Richard Booth